

TEACH US TO PRAY

WEEK 1

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forgive those who sin against us

1 Once Jesus was in a certain place praying. As he finished, one of his disciples came to him and said, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”

2 Jesus said, “This is how you should pray:

Father, may your name be kept holy.

May your Kingdom come soon.

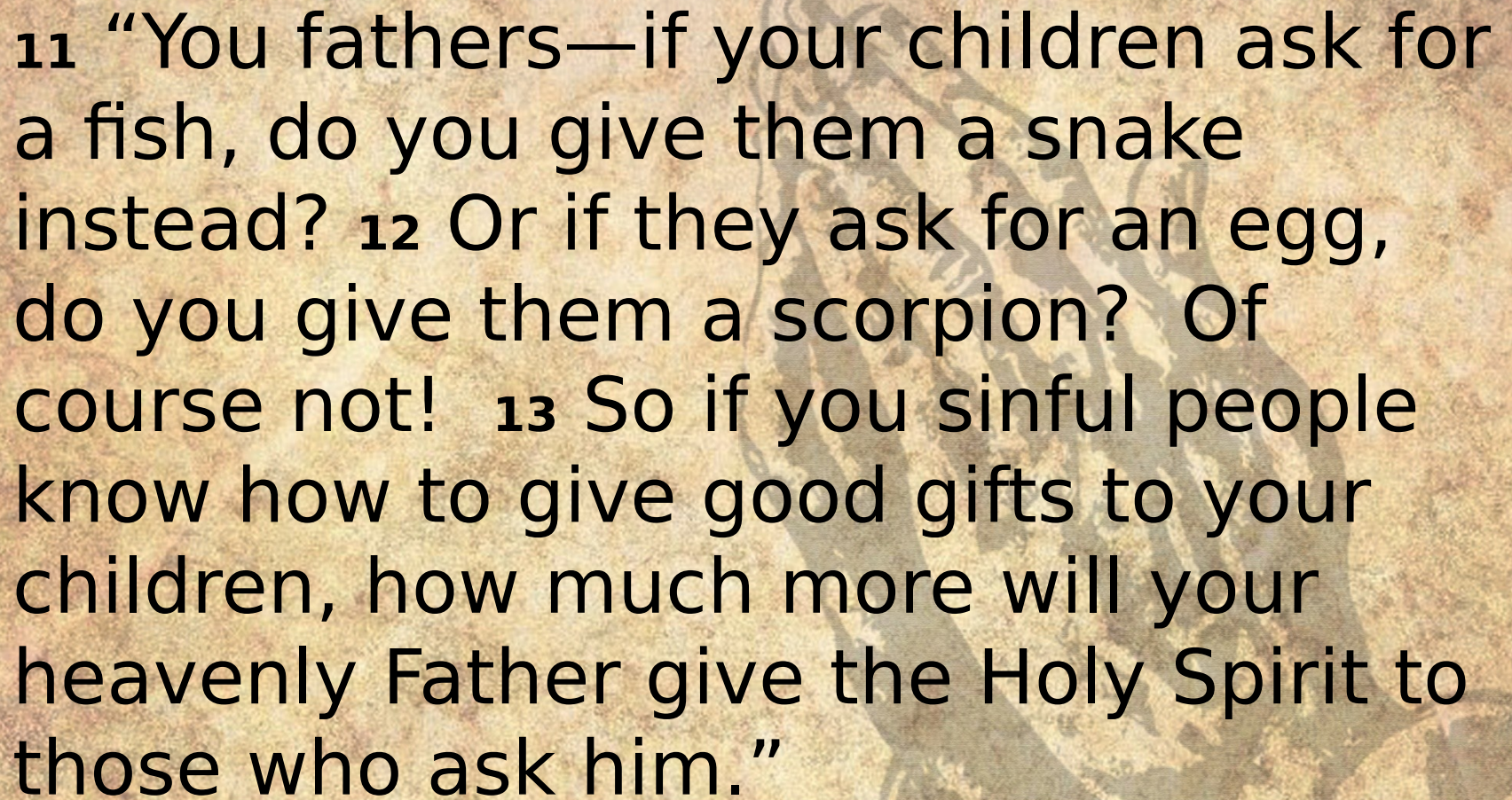
3 Give us each day the food we need,

4 and forgive us our sins, as we

5 Then, teaching them more about prayer, he used this story: “Suppose you went to a friend’s house at midnight, wanting to borrow three loaves of bread. You say to him, 6 ‘A friend of mine has just arrived for a visit, and I have nothing for him to eat,’ 7 And suppose he calls out from his bedroom, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is locked for the night, and my family and I

are all in bed. I can't help you.' 8 But I tell you this—though he won't do it for friendship's sake, if you keep knocking long enough, he will get up and give you whatever you need because of your shameless persistence".

9 "And so I tell you, keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who



11 “You fathers—if your children ask for a fish, do you give them a snake instead? **12** Or if they ask for an egg, do you give them a scorpion? Of course not! **13** So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.”

I. What is the Father like?

6 The LORD passed in front of Moses, calling out,

“Yahweh! The LORD!

The God of compassion and mercy!

I am slow to anger and filled with unfailing

love and faithfulness. 7 I lavish unfailing

love to a thousand generations. I forgive

II. How does the Father see you?

4 Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. 5 God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

Ephesians 1:4-5 NLT

III. In light of these truths, we should ask the Father for what we need.

7 But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask for anything you want, and it will be granted! John 15:7 NLT

Yet you don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it. 3 And even when



“What do you want me to do
for you?”

